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Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the Applicant requests consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

PART I: Compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97

This Information Disclosure Statement has been filed before the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114.

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PART II: Information Cited

The Applicant hereby makes of record in the above-identified application the information listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified). The order of presentation of the references should not be construed as an indication of the importance of the references.

The Applicant hereby makes the following additional information of record in the above-identified application.

1. The above-identified U.S. application claims priority to application Serial No. PCT/EP98/08543 and GB 9726804.9. If the Examiner has not had the benefit of review of the file history of PCT/EP98/08543 and GB 9726804.9, then he/she is asked to contact the undersigned, who will provide a copy of same.
2. The Applicant would like to bring to the Examiner's attention the enclosed search report from a corresponding International or Foreign National Application PCT/EP98/08543 filed on December 17, 1998 and published as WO 99/32643 A3.

PART III: Remarks

Documents cited anywhere in the Information Disclosure Statement are enclosed unless otherwise indicated. It is respectfully requested that:

1. The Examiner consider completely the cited information, along with any other information, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims;
2. The enclosed form PTO-1449 be signed by the Examiner to evidence that the cited information has been fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application;
3. The citations for the information be printed on any patent which issues from this application.

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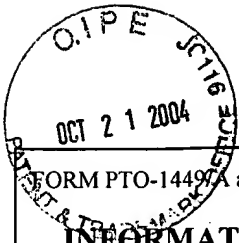
Notwithstanding any statements by the Applicant, the Examiner is urged to form his own conclusion regarding the relevance of the cited information.

An early and favorable action is hereby requested.

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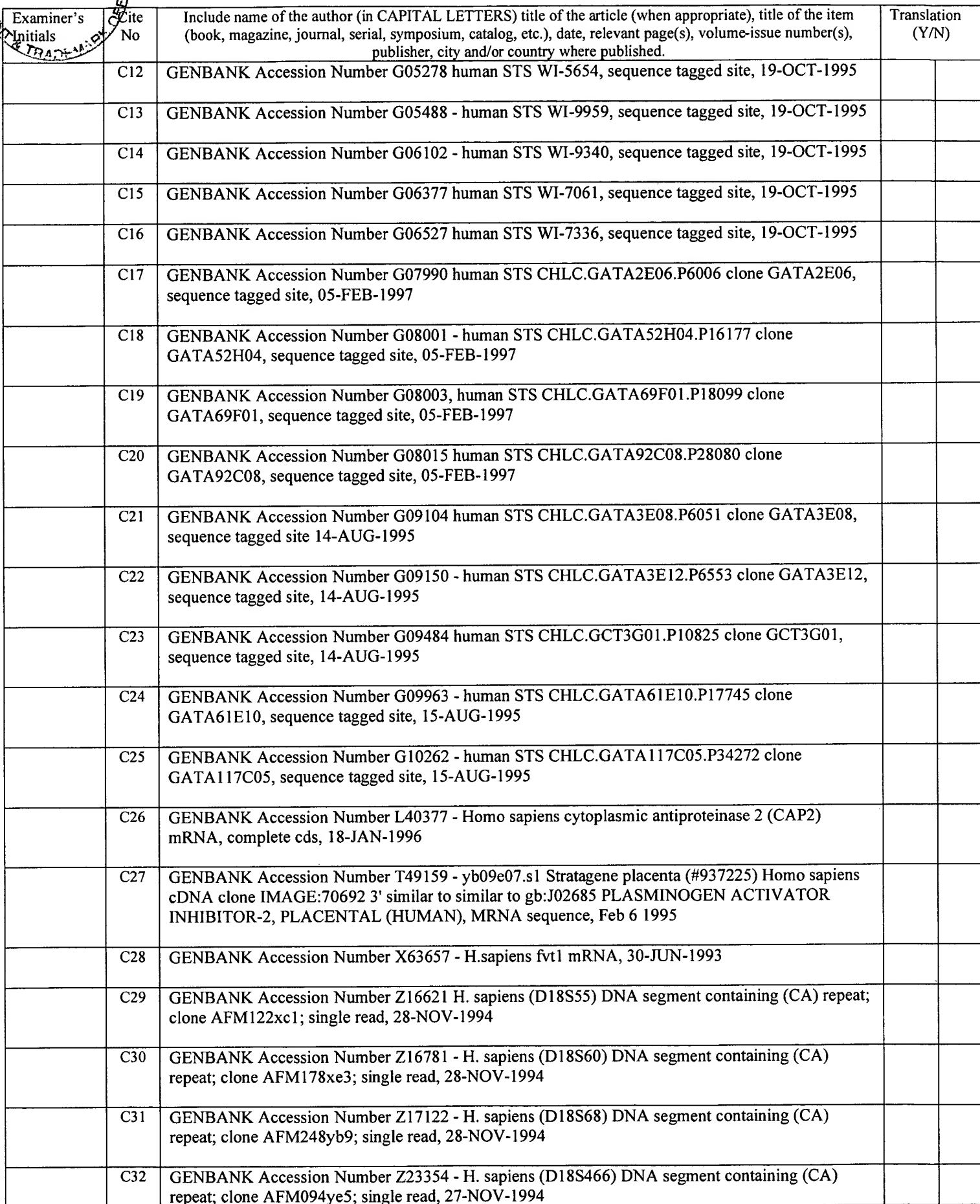
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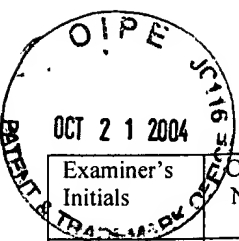
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